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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of associating an icon with a profile in a device store, wherein the device is in communication with a host and has a configurable graphical user interface, the method comprising the acts of:
creating a profile that is associated with at least one action of the device;
assigning a time-to-live variable to the profile, wherein the time-to-live variable is predetermined by an application operating on the device;
generating an icon for display on the graphical user interface upon a request for ~~the acquisition of~~ acquiring data from the host; ~~and~~
associating the profile with the icon; and
upon expiration of the time-to-live variable, deleting the profile.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising deleting the icon from the device upon the occurrence of an action.
3. (Canceled)
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the action is the acquisition of the requested data.
5. (Canceled)
6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the action is the expiration of a time-to-live variable.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the act of generating an icon for display on the graphical user interface includes the act of polling the graphical user interface to determine if there is enough space on the graphical user interface to add the icon.

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8. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising calling a tool that creates a customized configuration of the graphical user interface.
9. (Currently Amended) A network accessible by a user, the network comprising:
at least one computer including an application for creating an icon to be associated with a temporary profile; and
at least one multifunction imaging device capable of communicating with the computer, the imaging device having a store that is capable of storing the temporary profile, and having a graphical user interface adapted to display the icon;
wherein the computer causes the application to create the icon based upon information received from a user, place the icon on the graphical user interface; and
wherein a predetermined time-to-live variable is assigned to the profile by the application such that expiration of the time-to-live variable causes the application to delete the profile.
10. (Original) The network of claim 9, wherein the application for creating an icon includes a tool that polls the graphical user interface to see if there is enough space on the graphical user interface to display the icon.
11. (Original) The network of claim 9, wherein the store of the imaging device stores a plurality of profiles in a profile list accessible to the user, and wherein the profiles are associated with various functions of the multifunction imaging device.
12. (Original) The network of claim 11, wherein the functions of the multifunction imaging device include scanning, copying, printing, and faxing.
13. (Original) The network of claim 9, wherein the icon is customized to the user.

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14. (Original) The network of claim 9, wherein the icon is placed on the graphical user interface upon a data acquisition request, and wherein the icon is removed from the graphical user interface upon the acquisition of the requested data.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Original) The network of claim 9, wherein the computer causes the application to remove the icon after an action has occurred.

17. (Currently Amended) A method of displaying icons on a graphical user interface of an imaging device, wherein the imaging device is in communication with a host, the method comprising the acts of:

creating a temporary profile in the imaging device upon ~~the a~~ request for ~~acquisition of~~ acquiring data from the imaging device by the host;

assigning a time-to-live variable to the temporary profile, wherein the time-to-live variable is predetermined by an application operating on the imaging device;

creating a customized icon associated with the temporary profile;

displaying the customized icon on the graphical user interface to create a customized view on the graphical user interface; and

deleting the customized icon from the graphical user interface upon expiration of the time-to-live variable ~~the occurrence of an action.~~

18. (Original) The method of claim 17, further comprising displaying a screen having at least one icon associated with a profile stored in the imaging device and related to a specific operation of the imaging device.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Canceled)

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21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~17~~ 18, wherein the act of placing the icon on the graphical user interface the act of includes polling the graphical user interface to determine if there is enough space on the screen to add the icon.

23. (Currently Amended) A multifunction imaging device, comprising:
a multi-function unit;
an application operating on the multi-function unit for creating an icon to be associated with a temporary profile; and
a graphical user interface operating on the multi-function unit adapted to display the icon;
wherein said application creates the icon in response to information received from a user and places the icon on the graphical user interface; and
wherein a predetermined time-to-live variable is assigned to the profile by said application such that expiration of the time-to-live variable causes said application to delete the temporary profile and icon.

24. (Canceled)